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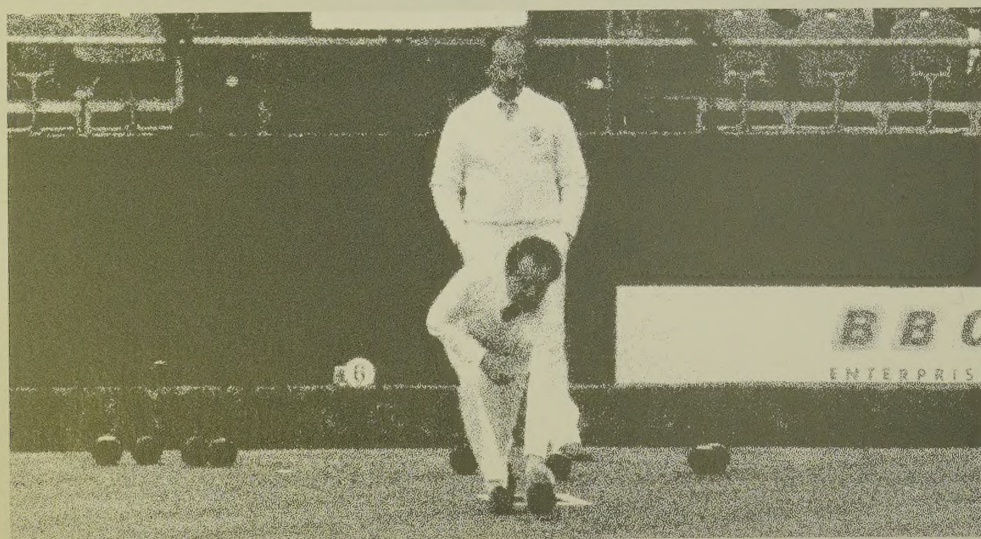
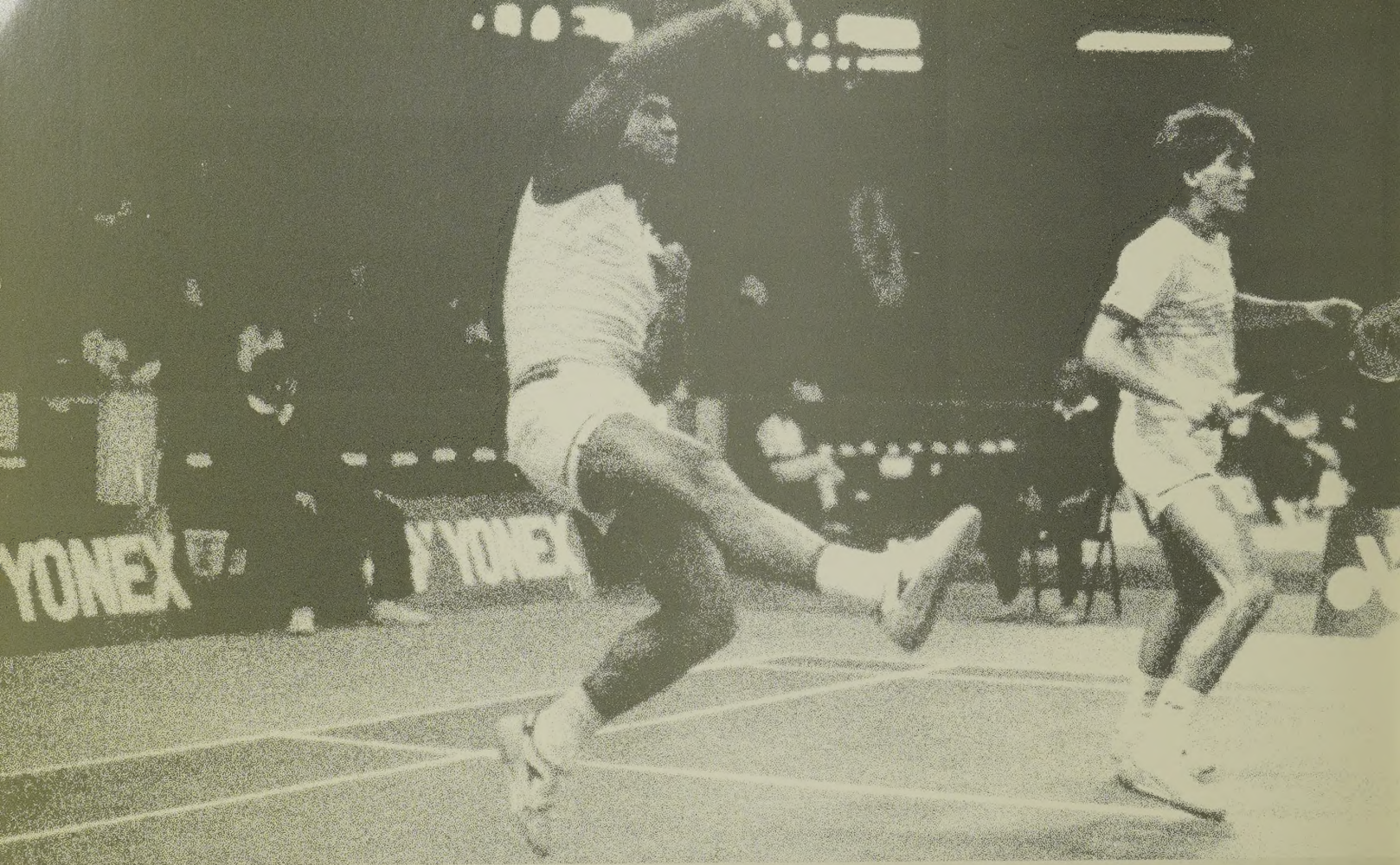


**Proposed Venues for the
XV Commonwealth Games
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
July 29 to August 7, 1994**

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GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS



Hamilton as host of the XV Commonwealth Games in 1994 would provide facilities for the following Games competitions.

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For **demonstration sports** Hamilton will be seeking permission to hold three instead of the usual two competitions: Judo, Tennis and Windsurfing.

To accommodate the Games calendar, three new facilities are required, as well as renovations to a number of existing facilities. The new facilities include an Aquatics Centre; Track & Field Stadium; and Velodrome/Multi-Purpose Centre.

Following successful completion of the Games, these world-class facilities will provide a legacy to future generations of athletes.

One vital legacy of the Games would be an Endowment Fund to maintain and operate the three new facilities (Aquatics Centre, Velodrome/Field House, and Track & Field Stadium), and assist in their operation as National and Provincial Training Centres.

The new facilities would meet the needs of athletes in an area stretching from Oakville to Niagara, encompassing over one million Canadians. Their location would serve as a catalyst, generating increased numbers of world-class athletes from Hamilton and region who currently lack these training and competitive resources. In addition, the Endowment Fund would provide financial assistance to hire a number of National and Provincial coaches.

Events Program as Proposed for The XV Commonwealth Games, Hamilton, 1994

Schedule of Events, July 29 to August 7, 1994

DAY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Opening Ceremonies	•									
Aquatics		•	•	•	•	•	•			
Athletics			•	•	•			•	•	•
Badminton		•	•	•						
Bowls		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Boxing		•	•	•	•	•	•		•	
Canoeing/Rowing		•	•	•	•	•				
Cycling			•	•	•	•	•	•		
Shooting		•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
Weightlifting		•	•	•	•	•				
Wrestling							•	•	•	
Demonstration Sports:										
Tennis/Judo					•	•				
Windsurfing				•	•					
Closing Ceremonies										•

Time of Day for Events

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Opening Ceremonies		•	•
Aquatics	•	•	•
Athletics	•	•	•
Badminton	•	•	•
Bowls	•	•	•
Boxing		•	•
Canoeing/Rowing	•	•	
Cycling	•	•	
Shooting	•	•	
Weightlifting		•	•
Wrestling		•	•
Demonstration Sports:			
Tennis/Judo	•	•	
Windsurfing	•	•	
Closing Ceremonies		•	•



Introduction

The original six sports featured in the first Games held in Hamilton in 1930 were Aquatics, Athletics, Bowls, Boxing, Rowing, and Wrestling. In recognition of the significance of the Games' return to their birthplace, these same six events would be included in the 1994 Games in Hamilton.

New sports would be added to the original six competitive events as follows: Badminton, Canoeing, Cycling, Shooting, Weightlifting.

We propose Windsurfing as a **demonstration sport**. The second demonstration sport would be either Tennis or Judo, although permission would be sought to include both in the Games, for a total of three demonstration sports.

Should Hamilton be selected as the Games site, it is proposed that they be held over a 10-day period from **July 29th, 1994 to August 7th, 1994 inclusive**.

The criteria used to select sports for the calendar were as follows:

- The development of the sport at the local, provincial and national levels.
- Consideration of any development plans by sport organizations.
- The number of Commonwealth countries that compete in the sport.
- The potential controversy of the sport.
- The potential as a spectator sport.

The Hamilton Organizing Bid Committee are prepared, should they be the successful Canadian candidate to rediscuss their sport selections with the Canadian Commonwealth Association to ensure the best possible international candidature goes forward.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

SITE:

Ivor Wynne Stadium, Cannon Street East

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

15 Kilometres/9 Miles (15 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

7 Kilometres/4.2 Miles (8 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Ivor Wynne Stadium evolved on the site of Civic Stadium, constructed to serve the original Commonwealth Games in 1930. In 1971, the stadium was reconstructed and artificial turf replaced the original grass infield.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

General renovations, including temporary seating to raise capacity to 35,000.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$1,750,000*

POST-GAMES USE:

The major outdoor site for athletic and cultural festivals.

NOTE: Where an asterisk (*) accompanies cost estimates, it indicates that individual costs for portable seating and upgraded sound systems have not been broken down for that particular venue, but are included in overall budget figures.





Aquatics

SITE:

Commonwealth Park, Mohawk Road East

(on Hamilton Mountain)

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

20 Kilometres/12 Miles (20 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

12 Kilometres/7.2 Miles (15 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

The Aquatics Centre will be an entirely new facility housing three pools for competition, diving and recreation.

The Competition Pool will be 10 lanes, 50-metres (164 feet), with water temperature maintained at 29°C (84°F). Depth will be 2 metres (6.5 feet). Seating for 6000 spectators will be provided, along with a music-quality sound system. The scoreboard will be capable of displaying both World and Commonwealth records as well as official times for the current events. A newscast line will be incorporated, connected to the Games results network. Electronic starting blocks, touch pads and starter controls will be interlocked with the main scoreboard. Split times will be displayed opposite each competitor's name; elapsed times will appear during competition, then automatically rearrange in the order of finish at completion of the race. Backing up the touch-pad system will be a suspended 10-lane video camera system.

The Diving Pool will measure 25 x 20 metres (82 x 65-1/2 feet) with a minimum depth of 4.5 metres (15 feet).

Tower platforms will be installed at 10, 7.5, 5 and 3 metre heights (33, 25, 16 and 10 feet), with springboards at 1 and 3 metres (3-1/4 and 10 feet).

A fully automated judging system will compute and display scores awarded by the judges.

Seating for 6000 will be provided, along with a music-quality sound system.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

New facility

ESTIMATED COST:

\$16,500,000

POST-GAMES USE:

Proposed National and Provincial Training Centre, as well as a competition and recreation facility for Hamilton residents.





ATHLETICS

Track and Field

SITE:

Commonwealth Park, Mohawk Road East
(on Hamilton Mountain)

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

20 Kilometres/12 Miles (20 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

12 Kilometres/7.2 Miles (15 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Commonwealth Park Stadium will incorporate 7000 permanent seats, expanded to 30,000 for the Games. Included within the stadium will be an 8-lane 400-metre synthetic surface with runways and approach areas for jumping events. A warm-up track, constructed of the same material as the main track, will be provided. The infield will be natural turf. Sound system, timing and scoreboard installations will be state-of-the-art, with direct linkage to the Games Results Centre. Also included will be photo sprint cameras, rotating scoreboards for field event results, and count-down field clocks for long jump, high jump, triple jump and pole vault events.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

New facility

ESTIMATED COST:

\$4,750,000*

POST-GAMES USE:

Together with the new Aquatics Centre, Commonwealth Park Stadium will provide a complete athletic complex serving residents of Hamilton Mountain; the stadium will be suitable for high school athletics, Olympic training, and general recreational use.

In addition, the stadium would function as a proposed National and Provincial Training Centre for Canadian athletes.

ATHLETICS

Marathon and Walk

SITE:

Ivor Wynne Stadium, Cannon Street East

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

15 Kilometres/9 Miles (15 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

7 Kilometres/4.2 Miles (8 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

The stadium will be used for the start and finish of both the Marathon and Walk events. **Both routes follow Hamilton's famous annual "Round-The-Bay" race which is older than the Boston Marathon.** Terrain is fast and flat, and runners will be able to take advantage of cooling breezes off Lake Ontario.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Installation of road barriers as required. Mobile TV cameras and helicopter. Large TV screens to be installed in stadium with message board so that spectators can follow the progress of the Marathon and Walk.

ESTIMATED COST:

*Portable seating and sound systems are included in overall budget figures.

POST-GAMES USE:

Return of roads to public transportation

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Badminton

SITE:

McMaster University Burridge Gym

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

On site

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

13 Kilometres/8 Miles (10 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

McMaster University Burridge Gym is a general purpose gymnasium. Floor space is adequate for five I.B.F. regulation courts with permanent seating for 2000. Regulation warm-up court; change rooms for competitors and officials; and medical, security and doping rooms will be accommodated within the existing complex.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Temporary seating for an additional 1000 spectators will be provided. A five-court badminton scoreboard will be utilized, as well as direct electronic linkage to the centralized Games Results Centre for relay to other Games venues. Music-quality sound system will be installed.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$200,000* (includes general renovation cost for complex)

POST-GAMES USE:

Returned to general-purpose gymnasium



Bowls

SITE:

Churchill Park, Cline & Marion Streets

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

1 Kilometre/.6 Miles (5 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

7 Kilometres/4.2 Miles (8 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Churchill Bowling Greens with its present two greens and clubhouse has been the site of several national championships.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Two new greens will be added, along with temporary seating for 2000 spectators. Media and support staff will have access to portable office and administration space; tenting will be provided for VIP's.

Lighting, sound system and scoreboards will be installed to meet I.B.B. and Games requirements.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$450,000*

POST-GAMES USE:

Recreational and competitive bowls site for residents in the western portion of Hamilton. Improved facilities qualifies the venue as a site for future National and Provincial championships.

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Boxing

SITE:

Copps Coliseum, York and Bay Streets

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

8 Kilometres/4.8 Miles (10 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

Adjacent

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Copps Coliseum, completed in 1985 at a cost of \$42.7 million, is located in downtown Hamilton, connected to the Hamilton Convention Centre, where the Media and Results Centres will be headquartered. Normal seating is 17,500; 2000 can be added at floor level. Existing dressing rooms can be used for gloving, warm-ups, weigh-ins, etc.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Installation of a 6.1-metre ring. Saunas will be added. A four-sided boxing clock and numeric display of three-minute count-down and current round will be installed, along with automatic warning buzzer and bell.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$50,000

POST-GAMES USE:

Reverts back to multi-purpose coliseum

Cycling (Indoors)

SITE:

Commonwealth Centre (Velodrome), McMaster University

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

On site

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

8 Kilometres/4.8 Miles (10 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Commonwealth Centre will be an entirely new multi-purpose indoor facility constructed within the McMaster University complex. The structure will meet all F.I.A.C. regulations, including a 250-metre track with direct tunnel access to the infield. Trauma medical facilities and doping control areas will be incorporated, as will lock-up storage for bikes and maintenance area for pacing motorcycles. Two time clocks, alpha-numeric scoreboard, photo timing equipment and video monitoring will be included, along with a music-quality sound system.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

New facility

ESTIMATED COST:

\$18,629,000

POST-GAMES USE:

A proposed National and Provincial cycling training centre. In addition, the facilities will be ideal as a multi-training centre for a number of sports including track, wrestling, boxing, indoor soccer, judo and gymnastics.





Cycling (100K Team Trial — Men)

SITE:

Queen Elizabeth Way,
between Centennial Parkway (Hwy. #20) and St. Catharines

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

25 Kilometres/15 Miles from Start Line (15 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

17 Kilometres/10.2 Miles from Start Line (15 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Special transportation required

FEATURES:

The Queen Elizabeth Way between Stoney Creek, on Hamilton's eastern boundary, and St. Catharines is an ideal cycling road racing track along its approximately 50 kilometre/31 mile length. The surface is smooth and wide, and there are scenic hills and curves, particularly in the Vineland and Jordan Harbour areas. Competitors will start and finish at the Hamilton end of the course, negating any wind effects and providing a 100 kilometre circuit.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Closing of necessary portion of roadway. Installation of pits, plus enclosures for officials, media, medical and doping requirements.

Seating for 1000 spectators at Finish line. Music-quality sound system for announcements. Helicopter for mobile TV coverage.

ESTIMATED COST:

*Portable seating and sound systems are included in overall budget figures.

POST-GAMES USE:

Return roadway to original function

Cycling (170-190K Road Race — Men)

SITE:

Downtown Dundas (King St. & Cootes Dr.)

DISTANCE TO ATHLETES' VILLAGE:

5 Kilometres/3 Miles (5 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

13 Kilometres/8 Miles (10 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Course includes flats, hills, climbs and descents over an 18.75 kilometre (11.74 mi.) circuit (10 laps). Course includes a major climb and descent over the Niagara Escarpment. After the major descent, the course follows a scenic route past Cootes Paradise nature sanctuary and Hamilton Bay through the Athletes' Village into Dundas.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Installation of road barriers as required, plus installation of pits and enclosures for officials, media, medical and doping facilities. Seating for 1000 spectators will be supplied at the Finish line. A music-quality sound system will be provided, as will a helicopter for mobile TV coverage.

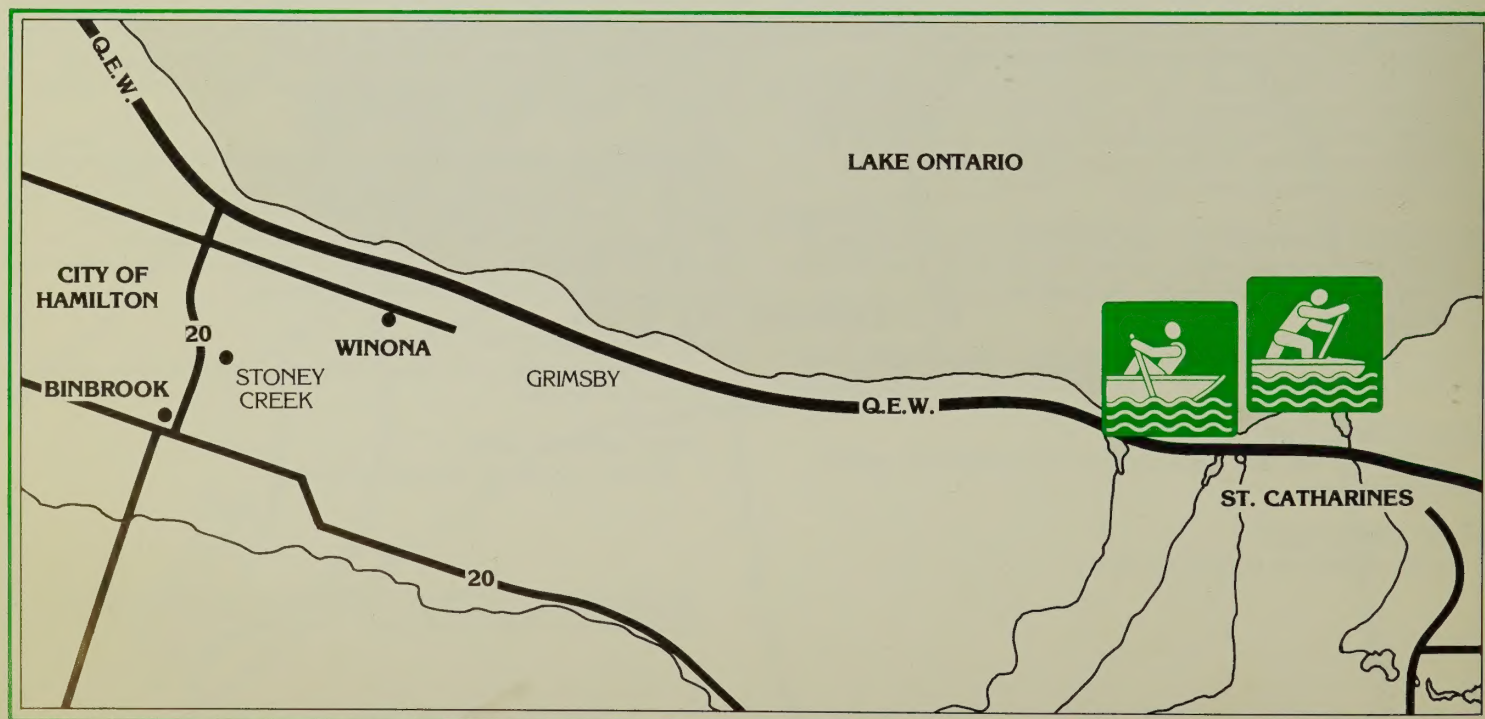
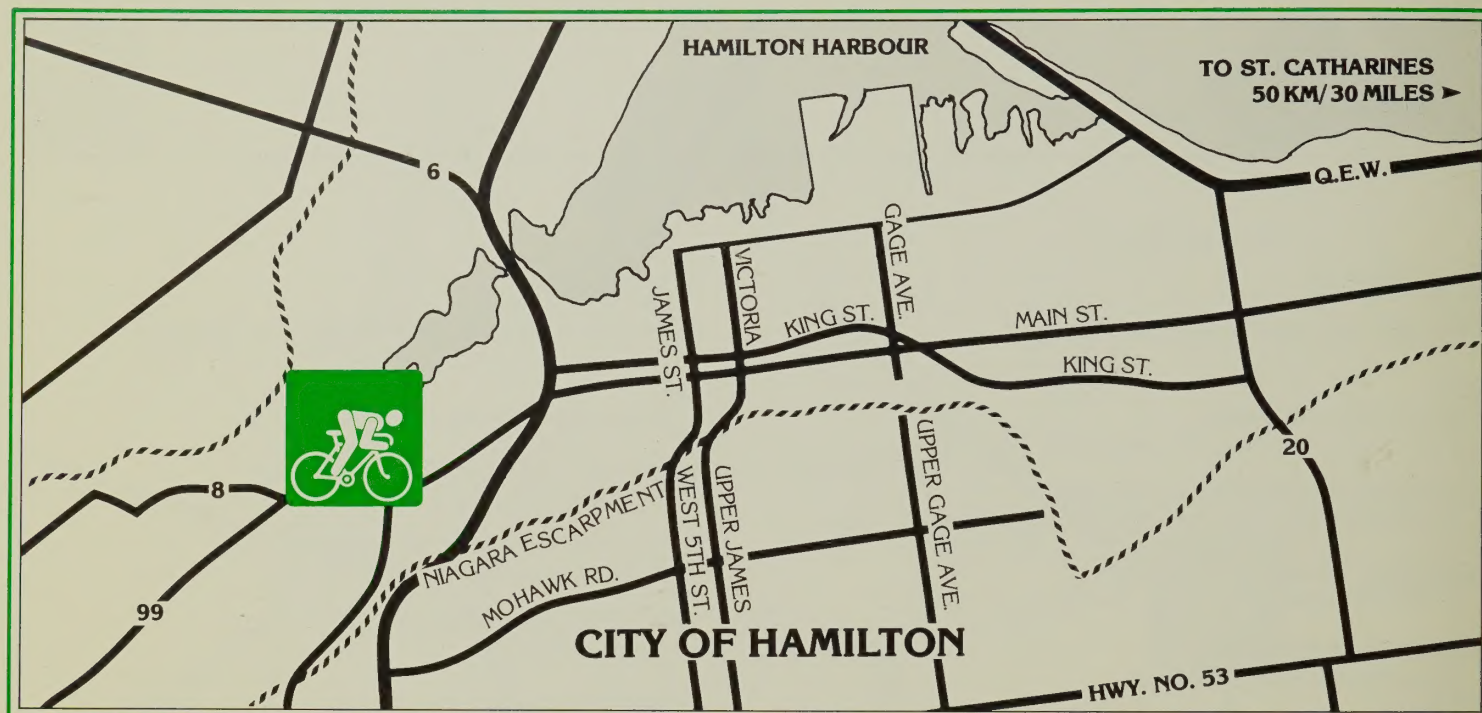
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POST-GAMES USE:

Return roadway to original function

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Cycling (60K Road Race — Women)

SITE:

Downtown Dundas (King St. & Cootes Dr.)

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

5 Kilometres/3 Miles (5 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

13 Kilometres/8 Miles (10 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Course includes flats, hills, climbs and descents over an 18.75 kilometre (11.74 mi.) circuit; major climb and descent over the Niagara Escarpment. Following major descent, the course follows a scenic route past Cootes Paradise nature sanctuary and Hamilton Bay, through the Athletes' Village into Dundas.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Installation of road barriers as required, plus installation of pits and enclosures for officials, media, medical and doping requirements. Seating for 1000 spectators will be provided at the Finish line. A music-quality sound system will be supplied, as will a helicopter for mobile TV coverage.

ESTIMATED COST:

*Portable seating and sound systems are included in overall budget figures.

POST-GAMES USE:

Return roadway to original function

Rowing and Canoeing

SITE:

Henley Course, St. Catharines

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

58 Kilometres/35 Miles (50 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

50 Kilometres/30 Miles (45 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Intercity bus carriers — special route

FEATURES:

Site of the annual Henley Regatta since 1903, the course was brought to world-class standards in 1966 at an expenditure of \$600,000. At the moment, the course is fully equipped for rowing and canoeing competition, with seating for 1500 spectators.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Spectator seating will be expanded to 10,000. The existing floating starting ramp will be replaced by a permanent sheet pile and concrete ramp, and a special starting gate for canoeing will be installed. Permanent photo-finish camera facilities will be added; the results board will be linked with the Games Results Centre in Hamilton. An allowance has been made for hydraulic dredging of the course prior to the Games.

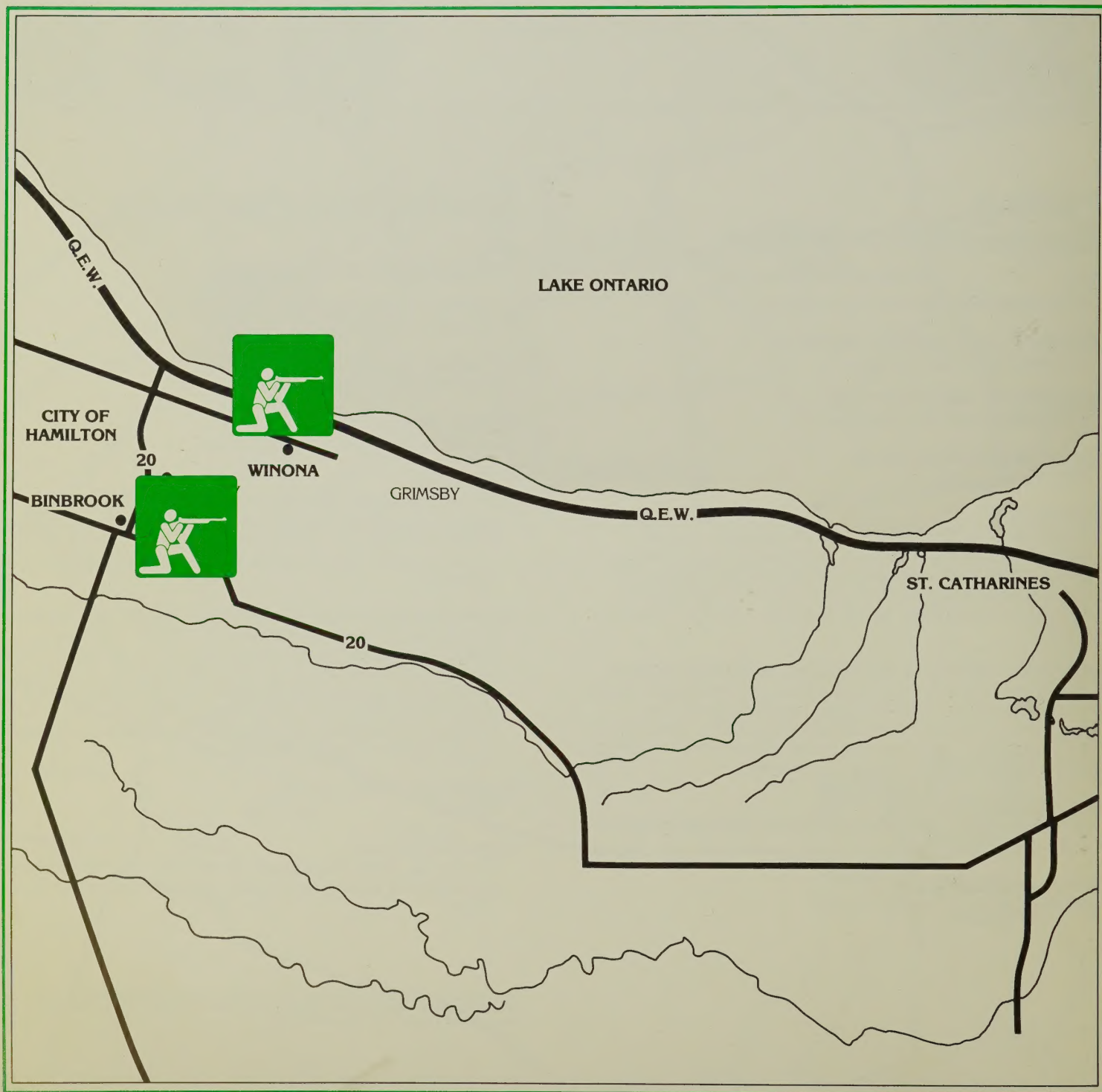
ESTIMATED COST:

\$850,000*

POST-GAMES USE:

The annual Henley Regatta will benefit from the improvements and additions, adding lustre to its reputation as a world-class course.

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Shooting

SITE:

**Hamilton Gun Club, Binbrook
(and D.N.D. Rifle Range, Winona)**

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

Binbrook: 25 Kilometres/15 Miles (20 minutes)
Winona: 40 Kilometres/25 Miles (25 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

Binbrook: 17 Kilometres/10.2 Miles (15 minutes)
Winona: 32 Kilometres/19.2 Miles (20 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Special bus routing required

FEATURES:

The Hamilton Gun Club, founded in 1882, is the oldest organization of its kind in Canada. The present site, acquired in 1954, encompasses 50 acres on the east side of 5th Road at the intersection with Highway 20 in Stoney Creek.

Full-bore rifle competitions will be held at the Department of National Defense Range in Winona, Ontario.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Renovations to both the existing clubhouse and ranges will provide the following facilities:

- 50-metre pistol and rifle range with four sets of turning targets
- 50-metre small-bore rifle range with 50 targets
- 100-metre rifle range
- 25-metre indoor pistol range
- 10-metre indoor air gun range
- Two international skeet fields
- Two international trap fields
- Change and shower rooms

Results will be shown by manual scoreboards; direct linkage to Games Results Centre will provide instant scores to spectators at other venues. Temporary seating to accommodate 2000 will be added. Portable office space will accommodate media, medical and administrative requirements.

ESTIMATED COST:

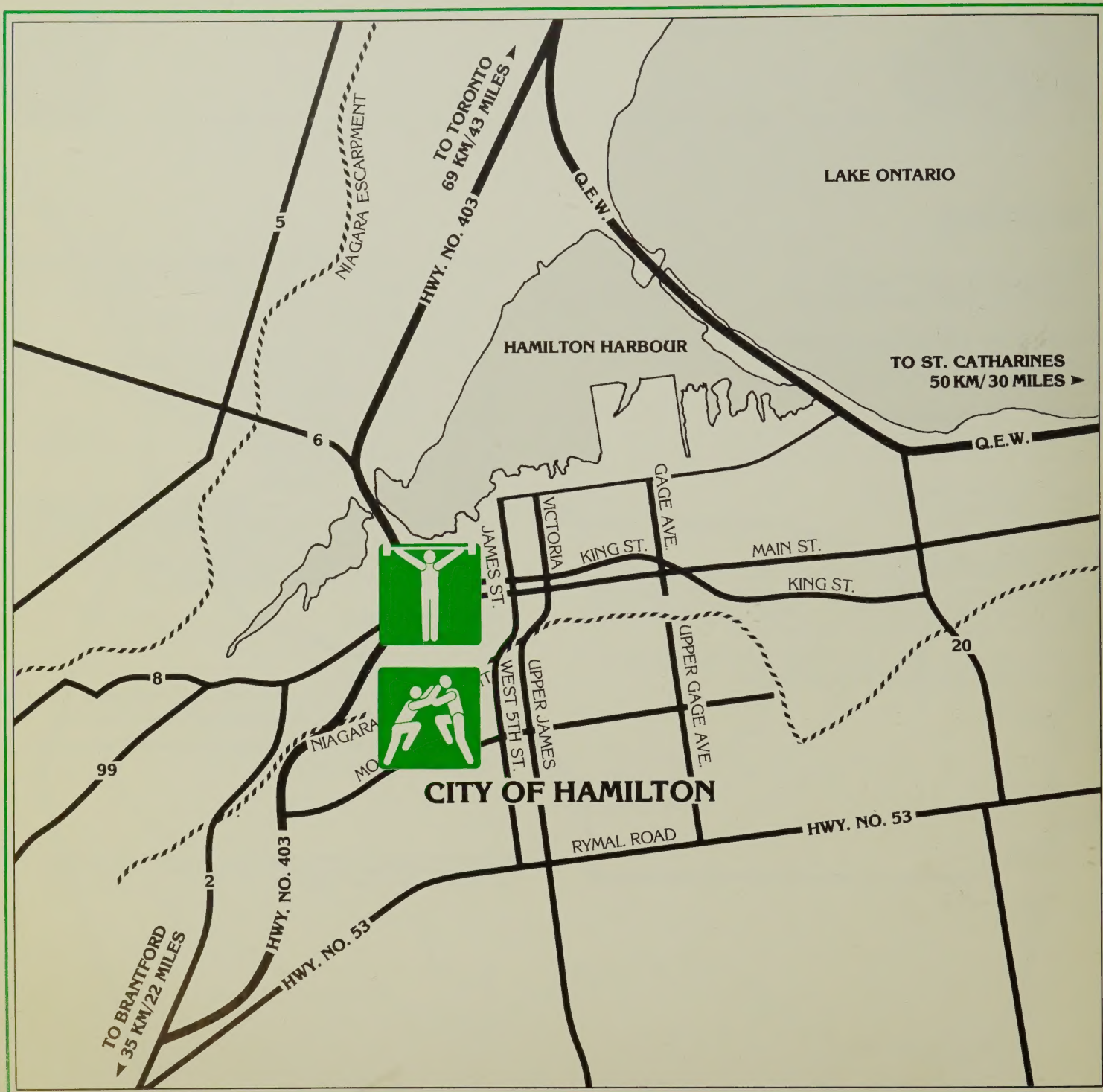
\$1,705,000*

POST-GAMES USE:

Canada's oldest shooting club will enjoy world-class competition facilities, encouraging growth in the sport.

The facilities would also serve as a proposed National and Provincial Training Centre.

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Weightlifting

SITE:

Hamilton Place Theatre, Main Street West

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

8 Kilometres/5 Miles (10 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

Adjacent

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

The Great Hall at Hamilton Place seats 2100 spectators theatre-style. Change rooms, Media Centre, officials' rooms, and doping and medical areas can all be accommodated within the existing facilities with minor renovations.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

A scoreboard installed above the reinforced stage will display the progress of up to 20 competitors simultaneously. Two 3-minute clocks will also be installed. All results will be dispatched electronically to the Games Results Centre.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$50,000

POST-GAMES USE:

Returned to normal use as the area's premier theatre-auditorium

Wrestling

SITE:

Mohawk College Gymnasium, Fennell Avenue West
(on Hamilton Mountain)

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

10 Kilometres/6 Miles (10 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

5 Kilometres/3 Miles (5 minutes)

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

HSR existing routes

FEATURES:

Currently, the facility functions as an all-purpose gymnasium with 1000 seats for the students of Mohawk College. Change rooms, media centre facilities, medical and doping areas can be accommodated in the existing facility.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ACCOMMODATE THE GAMES:

Centrally-located 20 x 20 metre (65 x 65 feet) mat will be installed on a 1 metre (3-1/4 feet) podium, enclosed by bleachers. Total seating will be 4000. A sauna will be installed for use by competitors. Accommodation for administration, media and security personnel will be via portable office facilities. Video and scoreboard installations will be added.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$150,000* (renovation to complex)

POST-GAMES USE:

Returned to original function

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DEMONSTRATION SPORT

Judo

SITE:

Commonwealth Centre, McMaster University

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

On site

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

7 Kilometres/4.2 Miles (8 minutes)

The site will be the **Commonwealth Centre (Velodrome)**. Seating for 5000 spectators provided within this facility along with all necessary change rooms, scoreboards, etc.

ESTIMATED COST:

Nil

DEMONSTRATION SPORT

Tennis

SITE:

Rosedale Tennis Club, Gage Park

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

15 Kilometres/9 Miles (15 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

7 Kilometres/4.2 Miles (8 minutes)

As a demonstration sport, tennis events would be held at the **Rosedale Tennis Club** located in Gage Park, a large and beautifully landscaped area in east-central Hamilton. Temporary seating for 5000 spectators would be provided, along with electronic scoreboards. Renovation of the existing locker and change-room areas will be required to bring the facility up to the standards of other Games sites.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$150,000*

DEMONSTRATION SPORT

Windsurfing

SITE:

Beach Strips, Hamilton/Burlington

DISTANCE TO ATHLETE'S VILLAGE:

25 Kilometres/15 Miles (25 minutes)

DISTANCE TO MEDIA CENTRE:

20 Kilometres/12 Miles (20 minutes)

This fast-growing sport would appear as a demonstration event, scheduled for beach areas in Hamilton/Burlington. The required investment in board/sail storage and repair facilities would provide a base for the development of the sport's future in the Hamilton region.

ESTIMATED COST:

\$500,000

NOTE: Oakville could be a possible site for tennis or windsurfing. (Estimated Cost — \$250,000.)

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The Athletes' Village, McMaster University

Student residences at McMaster University will accommodate 2878 athletes and officials for the Games period. In accordance with the constitution of the Commonwealth Games Federation, space in the residences has been reserved for a 25 day period including three days following the completion of the Games. Brock University residences and Ridley College could also be available to house rowers and canoeists if its decided that this is more convenient.

All services stipulated by the Federation will be available in the Village, including:

- Sleeping accommodation
- Cafeteria-style dining facilities
- Wide range of foods reflecting Asian and European cultures
- Take-out meal services
- Hot meals available at venues
- Meal tickets for guests
- Security control throughout the Village area, with entry restricted to those with official identification
- Adequate meeting and conference rooms, lounges, and storage areas
- Recreational sports facilities
- Service facilities, including bank, post office, medical, dental, hairdressing and barber, shoe repair, gift shop, laundry and dry-cleaning, plus lock-up and security areas

In addition to on-site entertainment facilities within the Village, including VCR machines for viewing movies, a full social program will be implemented. Entertainment, extending across a wide range of styles and customs, will be provided nightly within the Village. Excursions into the surrounding area to visit famous sites will be available on a daily basis. Transport may consist of normal bus or van rides or an experience itself — helicopter flights to view Niagara Falls; a train trip along the escarpment; hot air balloon rides to view the Niagara wine country, etc.

Training Facilities

McMaster University Athletic Complex and the Commonwealth Centre will provide training facilities for a number of sports — i.e. track and field (same surface as stadium track), wrestling, badminton, weightlifting.

Boxing will be at **McMaster** and the **Mountain Arena**. Training for the remainder of the sports will be at the competition sites.



Media and Results Centre

The **Hamilton Convention Centre** will function as headquarters for Media and Games Results. Centrally located, with direct access to the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel and Hamilton Place Theatre Complex, the Convention Centre boasts 1858 square metres (20,000 square feet) of open space on the main floor Exhibition Hall. Similar space is available in the Banquet Hall, along with numerous meeting rooms and hospitality areas; the kitchen is equipped to serve 1200 people.

The primary work area in the Media Centre will be equipped with typewriters (both English and French), telephones, telex machines, TV monitors, results and information desks, and direct computer links with all events.

A video centre will offer the opportunity to review previous days' competitions. Photographers will have access to a fully-equipped darkroom; a booth will be provided to supply film and equipment as required. An interview room for press conferences will be provided; transportation to and from the various sports venues will also be available during competition and training times.

The Media Centre will be a self-contained operation, with on-site cafeteria, bar, lounge, money exchange and postal services.

In addition, each sport venue will have its own media centre incorporating working facilities and direct links with other venues.

A bilingual Commonwealth Games daily newspaper will be published overnight and distributed to all media centres the following day. Among its coverage will be complete results of the previous day's events and details of the current day of competition. In addition to assisting the media in planning each day's itinerary, the newspaper will serve as a diary of the Games for athletes and officials.

In parallel with the program planned for the athletes, a series of social and cultural events, including tours of area attractions, will be organized for the media.

The Results Centre will also be located in the Hamilton Convention Centre. It will contain the latest in computer support systems. All venues will be networked to the Results Centre so that up-to-date information, results, etc. can be transmitted at a moments notice.

NOTE: It would also be possible to locate the **Host Broadcast Centre** within the same complex (Hamilton Convention Centre).

Measuring the Return on Investment



In spite of Hamilton's rich history of supporting sports events, the area currently contributes less than 1% of Canada's national team athletes. This surprising statistic is, in part, a result of the currently limited training venues available in the area, especially for athletic and aquatic competition.

The legacy of the **XV Commonwealth Games**, should they be held in Hamilton, would be to tap the vast resources of latent athletic talent within Hamilton and region. Three proposed new facilities — Commonwealth Stadium, the Aquatics Centre and the Velodrome/Multi-Purpose Centre — would combine with upgrading three existing facilities to produce a new generation of elite-calibre athletes from the area, and to offer to Canada National and Provincial Training Centres for all athletes.

Nowhere else in Canada does such a potential for maximum return exist, based on the combination of high population and modest capital investment required.

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